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Dear USDA Dockets Manager:

Now is the time to place an abrupt halt on slaughter of "Downed animals". These animals are too weak to stand on their own to feet, an obvious sign that something is severely wrong. It is not safe, nor is it ethically or morally right to slaughter an animal that is obviously suffering in such terrible pain. To let such an animal enter the food chain, whether its dead body is fed to humans, or non-humans animals is inviting trouble such as bovine encephalopathy (Mad Cow Disease).

Please, I urge you, as a governmental body to take immediate action and grant petition 98P-0151/CPI-prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

Our environment is suffering greatly due to waste and enormous water consumption from feed lots and slaughterhouses. The animals are suffering great/y due to inhumane treatment at the time or they're untimely death. And the American public is suffering increased rates of myocardial infarctions, coronary diseases and diabetes (to name a few) due to meat consumption. Humans to not need flesh of another animal to survive. It has been proven by numerous medical studies that vegetarians live longer, healthier lives. This would in turn lower the skyrocketing medical costs that meat eating causes.

Thank you fur granting this petition. May there be Peace on Earth, and compassion for all living creatures.

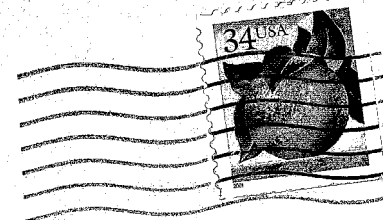
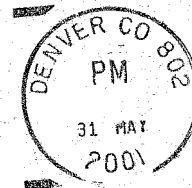
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